MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know the time when this gentleman applied for permission?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The exact date is not now available; but it was *after* the contract was given to the two companies which now run the service in the town.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know what stood in the way of the Government giving him the permission?

PRESIDENT: That has been answered, Mr. Kesava Pillai. The answer to part (*e*) says that it was one of the conditions of the agreement with these two companies that no other company or individual would be given license.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether such a contract binds third parties?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It is a legal question, a question for legal opinion.

PRESIDENT: It would certainly bind the Government or the Municipality, whoever issues the license.

MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): But, that takes away my right.

Motor traffic on the M. C. road.

107. MR. A. C. KURIAKOSE (*Minachil cum Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of motor buses plying between Trivandrum and Kottayam along the M. C. road;

(*b*) how many years is it since a notice was put up at the Vamanapuram bridge on the M. C. road that vehicles should cross the bridge unloaded;

(*c*) the reason for putting up such a notice board;

(*d*) if damage to the bridge was the cause, what arrangement has been made for repairing it; and

(*e*) if no arrangement has been made, the reason for the same?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 44 buses.

(*b*) About one year and 10 months.

(*c*) Because the bridge is not sufficiently strong.

(*d*) Investigation has been conducted and an estimate for the bridge is under preparation.

(*e*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*d*) above.

Midwifery class at Alleppey.

108. MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the place where the Midwifery Class at Alleppey is being held;

(*b*) the number of students attending the class and their age;

(*c*) the time fixed for teaching them;

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